Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Product	Price before DPCD 1987	Present Price	Percentage increase
1	Cefazol Inj. 1 gm vial	..	51.46	.. (Source : Indian Pharmaceutical Guide, 1989).
2	Omnatax 250 mg. vial	44.09 1-11-87	44.34	0.57
3	1 gm vial	155.12 1-11-87	156.00	0.57
	2 gm. vial	..	300.00	..

Eradication of Quackery in Medical Profession

765. DR. YELAMANCHLI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of unregistered medical practitioners (Quacks) who are working in the country, State-wise; and

(b) what steps have been taken to eradicate this problem ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATON (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) No reliable informaton is available regarding the number of unregistered medical practitioners working in the country.

(b) Penal provisions already exist in the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, the Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 and the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973 to the effect that no person other than a medical practitioner enrolled on the State Medical Register shall practice medicine in any State and any person contravening this provision shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to Rs. 1,000/- or both. The Government of India have advised the State Governments/Union Territories to invoke the penal provisions against unqualified medical practitioners. It is proposed to amend the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 to enhance the term of imprisonment and the fine.

CGHS dispensary at Gole Market

766. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that CGHS beneficiaries of Gole Market Number-I dispensary are being subjected to great harrassment and inconvenience due to non-availability of essential medicines prescribed by the specialists and indifferent and unhelpful attitude of the Medical Officer in charge of the dispensary towards its beneficiaries; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) Only one complaint was received regarding functioning of CGHS dispensary, Gole Market No. 1 which was investigated and